

Delaware Division of the Arts Invites Community Input

The Delaware Division of the Arts is working with [Maren Brown Associates](#) to develop a new strategic plan for FY2016-FY2020 that identifies and incorporates the ideas, issues, and initiatives of Delaware's arts community: artists, organizations, audiences, and educators.

The public input process will include:

Two surveys:

- Survey One is designed for Delaware-based individual artists.
- Survey Two is designed for representatives of Delaware organizations and schools that provide arts programming.

Notice of the electronic surveys with corresponding links, will be sent by email on or around October 20, 2014, and will also be posted on www.artsdel.org at the same time. The surveys will remain open until noon on Monday, November 10, 2014.

Three community meetings:

To be held across the state this fall, during which all Delaware constituents will have an opportunity to provide input. All interested Delawareans are invited to attend a meeting and have their thoughts and opinions heard. No RSVP is required.

- **Monday, October 27, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Milton**

Milton Theatre (hosted by Premier Center for the Arts)

110 Union Street, Milton, DE 19968

- **Tuesday, October 28, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m., Dover**

Delaware State University (hosted by VSA Delaware)

Parlor A (2nd floor) of the MLK Student Center, 1200 N. DuPont Highway, Dover 19901

• **Tuesday, October 28, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Wilmington**

OperaDelaware Studios (hosted by Delaware Arts Alliance)

4 S. Poplar Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

Six focus groups (by invitation only):

To gather feedback from key stakeholders. Focus groups are comprised of:

- Individual Artists
- Arts Organizations – Large
- Arts Organizations – Small/Medium
- K-12 Education
- Lifelong Learning
- Community-based organizations that offer arts programming

Thirty in-depth one-on-one telephone interviews with individuals including national and state leaders whose work exemplifies areas of interest to the Division of the Arts, reveals important trends that can shape the Division's future work, or offers visionary ideas that provide inspiration for the plan.

In February 2015, a draft of the new Design Delaware 2.0 Strategic Plan for FY2016-FY2020 will be released for public input, and in March 2015, the final plan will be formally approved by the Delaware State Arts Council and published.